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### **Design of an Ultra Efficient Passenger Aircraft**

#### **Task 4: Aircraft Design - An Approach with Breguet Range Equation**

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# Abstract

There is an increasing public, political and economic demand for reducing the fuel consumption for aircrafts. In order to meet this interest, this evaluation will present how Aircraft Design can make a contribution to this request.

The parameters for aircraft performance depends mainly on the aerodynamics, propulsion system and the structure. All essential parameters will be considered in the Breguet range equation: the glide ratio (lift-to-drag ratio), the specific fuel consumption and the mass fraction. The Breguet range equation is discussed under the aspect of fuel consumption with the according fuel calculation. A detailed drag estimation method is derived for aircraft parameters such as glide ratio, wing loading and aspect ratio.

This report will indicate, how the Breguet-range equation can be used as a simple but significant model for the fuel consumption on transportation aircrafts.

An example mission with a payload-range diagram for a midrange aircraft (like Airbus A320 or Boeing 737) is used to demonstrate the efficiency of this approach.

Results will be verified with a constraint diagram and payload-range diagram with a preliminary design process.

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# List of Symbols

$a$	Speed of sound
$a$	Take-off slope
$A$	Aspect ratio
$b$	Wing span
$BPR$	Bypass ratio
$B_S$	Breguet range factor
$B_t$	Breguet time factor
$R$	Range
$R'$	Derivation of range $R$
$c$	Specific Fuel Flow SFC
$c_P$	Power Specific Fuel Flow PSFC for propeller aircraft
$c_T$	Thrust Specific Fuel Flow TSFC for jet aircraft
$C_D$	Drag coefficient
$C_{D,0}$	Zero drag coefficient
$C_{D,i}$	Induced drag coefficient
$C_{D,int}$	Interference drag coefficient
$C_{D,w}$	Wave drag coefficient
$C_L$	Lift coefficient
$C_{L,max,L}$	Maximum lift coefficient in landing configuration
$C_{L,max,TO}$	Maximum lift coefficient in take-off configuration
$D$	Drag
$D_i$	Induced drag
$D_{int}$	Interference drag
$D_w$	Wave drag
$D_0$	Zero lift drag
$e$	Oswald factor
$E$	Glide ratio, L-over-D
$E_{max}$	Maximum glide ratio
$E_{TO}$	Take-off glide ratio
$E_L$	Landing glide ratio
$E_{TO}$	Take-off glide ratio
$E$	Energy or work $W$
$E'$	Mass specific energy of the battery [Wh/kg] or the heating value $H$ [J/kg] of fuel
$g$	Gravitation constant on earth
$H$	Heating value
$k_{APP}$	Approach factor
$k_L$	Landing factor
$k_{TO}$	Take-off Field Length factor
$L$	Lift

$L/D$	L-over-D, glide ratio $E$
$m$	Mass
$m_{bat}$	Battery mass
$m_{ac}$	Constant aircraft mass
$m_{ave}$	Average aircraft mass
$m_{Cr}$	Cruise mass
$m_{ff}$	Fuel ratio
$m_F$	Fuel mass
$m_{final}$	Final mass $m_2$
$m_{initial}$	Initial mass $m_1$
$m_{Ldg}$	Landing mass
$m_{ML}$	Maximum Landing mass
$m_{MPL}$	Maximum Payload mass
$m_{MTO}$	Maximum Take-off mass
$m_{OE}$	Operating Empty mass
$m_{PL}$	Payload mass
$m_{Res}$	Fuel reserve mass
$m_{TO}$	Take-off mass
$M_{Cr}$	Cruise Mach number
$M_{ff}$	Total Fuel Fraction
$M_{ff,i}$	Fuel Fraction of mission segment $i$
$n_E$	Number of engines
$P$	Power
$P$	Pressure
$P_{bat}$	Battery power
$Q$	Fuel flow
$R$	Range
$R_{Cr}$	Cruise range
$R_D$	Design range
$R_{Ferry}$	Ferry Range, max. range with no payload
$R_{MF}$	Maximum range with full tank and payload
$R_{MPL}$	Maximum range with maximum payload
$S_w$	Wing area
$S_{LFL}$	Landing Field Length
$S_{TOFL}$	Take-off Field Length
$t$	Endurance, time
$T$	Thrust
$T_{TO}$	Take-off thrust
$T_{Cr}$	Cruise thrust
$T/W$	Aircraft Thrust-to-Weight ratio
$v$	Velocity, speed
$v_{Cr}$	Cruise speed



$V_{APP}$	Approach speed
$V$	Volume
$W$	Weight $m \cdot g$

## Greek Symbols

$\gamma$	Angle of climb
$\gamma$	Ratio of specific air heats
$\rho$	Density
$\sigma$	Relative Density
$\eta$	Efficiency
$\eta_{overall}$	Overall Efficiency
$\eta_{prop}$	Propeller Efficiency
$\eta_{shaft}$	Shaft Efficiency
$\vartheta$	Range ratio factor

## List of Abbreviations

CeRAS	Central Reference Aircraft Data System
DLR	Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- & Raumfahrt
ISA	ICAO Standard Atmosphere
MTOW	Maximum Take-Off Weight
MZF	Maximum Zero Fuel Weight
NACA	National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
OEW	Operating Empty Weight
PAX	Passenger
PSFC	Power Specific Fuel Consumption
PreSTo	Preliminary Sizing Tool
SAR	Specific Air Range
SFC	Specific Fuel Consumption
TSFC	Thrust Specific Fuel Consumption
TLAR	Top Level Aircraft Requirement

# List of Definitions

## **Breguet**

Louis Charles Breguet was a 1880 born aircraft designer, who is falsely considered as the originator of the “Breguet Range Equation”. Originally, this equation was introduced in 1920 by J. G. Coffin in his NACA Report. Since this equation is known as the Breguet Range Equation, it will be called in this project Breguet Range Equation as well.

## **CeRAS**

*CeRAS* (Central Reference Aircraft data System) is a central database hosting reference design data of commercial aircraft. It is intended to be used for research projects dealing with conceptual to preliminary aircraft design studies as well as technology integration and assessment.

## **PreSTo**

PreSTo (Preliminary Sizing Tool) is an Excel spreadsheet developed at the HAW by Scholz 2017 for preliminary aircraft design sizing.

# 1 Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide an overview about aircraft design process with the help of the Breguet range equations. The Breguet range equations for 4 different aircraft types (turbojet, turboprop, battery and hybrid driven) are derivated. The remaining part of this document presents a detailed application of the Breguet range equation for preliminary sizing in aircraft design especially under the aspect of fuel consumption. Data for an Airbus A320 are used to redesign an aircraft with the Excel spreadsheet PreSTo. A practical approach for calculating aircraft parameter are given. Results are illustrated with the payload-range diagram. For a better overview the conceptual aircraft design as well as a detailed lift and drag estimation is outside of the scope of this document and will be handled in a separate document.

## 1.1 Motivation

The main motivation for this report is to supply an overview and understanding of aircraft design processes for students who want to participate in the NASA/DLR Design Challenge 2018 (Hartman 2018) in order to design an ultra efficient passenger aircraft of the future. For a subsonic aircraft NASA push new technology that will support development of new aircraft products that meet the long-term goals (beyond year 2035) like 80% reduction in noise , 80% reduction in  $\text{NO}_x$  emission for take-off, landing and cruise and 60-80% reduction for the fuel/energy consumption (NASA 2017) relative to the best in class aircraft in 2005.

## 1.2 Structure

Chapter 1: Introduction

Chapter 2: Derivation of 4 different Breguet range equations for turbojet, turboprop, battery and hybrid (new equation) driven aircraft.

Chapter 3: Estimation of the burned fuel mass with the Breguet range factor, the definition of the constant specific fuel consumption SFC and calculation of the specific air range SAR as a function of the Breguet range equation and derivated from the payload range diagram.

Chapter 4: Estimation of the mass fuel fraction for the cruise segment with the help of the payload-range diagram and the Breguet range equation.

Chapter 5: New structured aircraft design. Preliminary sizing with PreSTo of a reference aircraft Airbus A320 with CeRAS data and the meaning and correlation of the Breguet range equation for aircraft design.

Chapter 6: Discussion and Conclusion

## 2 Aircraft Design and Breguet Range Equation

### 2.1 The Relevance of Breguet Range Equation

The most important parameters in aircraft design are related to drag, lift, weight and the propulsion system. All these parameters have an impact on the range performance of the aircraft. An improvement of this parameter such as the reduction of the drag have a direct impact to the range and therefore for the fuel consumption of the aircraft.

The Breguet range equation is not a simple conversion of the well known velocity formular with  $R = v \cdot t$  (range = speed x time) as in this case the range  $R$  simply depends on the velocity  $v$  and the time  $t$ . or  $R=f(v,t)$ . In aircraft design a more detailed range equation which depends on the above mentioned parameters (drag, lift, weight and fuel consumption) is useful.

#### 2.1.1 Derivation of the Breguet Range Equation

With reference to Young 2001 the Breguet range equation is derivated as follows:

Starting with the Specific Air Range (SAR) defined as the distance per unit consumed fuel mass.

$$SAR = - \frac{dx}{dm_F} \quad (2.1)$$

where  $x$  is the air range and  $m$  the consumed burned fuel mass. As the fuel mass is reducing during the flight, it has a negative sign. The units of SAR are [km/kg]. In the European automotive industry the more familiar inverted value  $1/SAR$  is used with the units [kg/km] or with the known specific density  $\rho$  the volume in liter can be calculated with the units [l/km] for  $1/SAR$ .

The fuel flow  $Q$  (rate of burnt fuel) is defined as the burned fuel mass  $m_F$  per time  $t$ :

$$Q = - \frac{dm_F}{dt} \quad (2.2)$$

With the true air speed (TAS)  $V = \frac{dx}{dt}$  the definition of SAR can now rewrite as

$$SAR = \frac{V}{Q} \quad (2.3)$$

In a level flight thrust is equal to the drag ( $T=D$ ) and the lift is equal to the weight of the aircraft ( $L=W$ ). With the definition of the Specific Fuel Consumption (SFC) as the fuel flow  $Q$  per unit thrust

$$c_T = \frac{Q}{T} \quad (2.4)$$

For a jet aircraft in level flight the fuel flow  $Q$  can now be written as:

$$Q = c_T \cdot T = c_T \cdot D = c_T \left( \frac{D}{L} \right) \cdot W = \frac{c_T}{E} \cdot m \cdot g$$

The air range is given by

$$R = - \int_{m_1}^{m_2} \frac{V}{Q} dm = \int_{m_1}^{m_2} \frac{V \cdot E}{c_T \cdot g} \cdot \frac{1}{m} dm \quad (2.5)$$

As the airspeed  $V$  and the lift coefficient  $C_L$  (and therefore the glide ratio  $E$ ) are constant, the result of the integration is

$$R = \frac{V \cdot E}{c_T \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right) \quad (2.3)$$

## 2.2 Breguet Range Equation for Jet Aircraft

Equation (2.6) is known as Breguet Range Equation for jet engines. With the glide ratio  $E=L/D=C_L/C_D$  ("L-over-D") and  $m_1$  as the initial mass (not fuel mass  $m_F$  !) of the aircraft at Take-Off and  $m_2$  as the final mass of the aircraft after landing. Thus the Breguet Range Equation can also be written as:

$$R = \frac{L}{D} \frac{v}{TSFC \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{m_{initial}}{m_{final}} \right) \quad (2.4)$$

where:

$R$  [m] is the air range of the flying distance

$E = L/D = C_L/C_D$  [-] is the glide ratio or L-over-D

$V$  [m/s] is the true airspeed (TAS) of the aircraft

$m_1 = m_{initial}$  [kg] is the initial mass of the aircraft

$m_2 = m_{final}$  [kg] is the final mass of the aircraft

$m_F = m_1 - m_2 = m_{initial} - m_{final}$  [kg] mass of the consumed fuel for flying the air range  $R$

$c_T = TSFC$  [kg/N/s] thrust specific fuel consumption for a jet engine

$g$  [m/s<sup>2</sup>] is the earth gravitation constant ( $\sim 9.81$  m/s<sup>2</sup>)

$\ln$  is the natural logarithm with the Euler number  $e = 2.71828..$  as base value

## 2.3 Breguet Range Equation for Propeller driven Aircraft

As a propeller driven aircraft will supply power instead of thrust, we simply have to exchange the thrust  $T$  by power  $P$  in the above Breguet Range Equation.

From mechanic we know that the power  $P$  is achieved by multiplying the thrust  $T$  by the velocity  $V$  so that  $P = T \cdot V$ . Furthermore it is known that the shaft power from the engine will not 100% transferred to propeller power, we have to consider accordingly the propeller efficiency. Hence:

$$P = T \cdot V \cdot \eta_P \quad (2.5)$$

where:

$P$  [kW] available power at the propeller ( $P = P_{\text{shaft}} \cdot \eta_P$ )

$T$  [N] thrust

$\eta_P$  [-] propeller efficiency

From the Breguet Range Equation (2.6) for jets, the air range for a propeller driven aircraft is now given by:

$$R = \frac{L}{D} \frac{\eta_P}{c_P \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right) \quad (2.6)$$

where:

$\eta_P$  [-] propeller efficiency

$c_P = \text{PSFC}$  [kg/kW/s] power specific fuel consumption for a propeller aircraft

This equation is the Breguet Range Equation for a propeller driven aircraft.

Similar to Eqn. (2.6)  $E$  (and therefore  $C_L$ ),  $c_P$  (and therefore  $v$ ) and  $\eta_P$  are constant.

The specific fuel consumption  $c_P$  is now related to the power and has therefore a different unit comparing with the thrust specific parameter  $c_T$  from Eqn. (2.6). Both parameters are related by the airspeed  $v$  only:

$$c_T = c_P \cdot v \quad (2.7)$$

### 2.3.1 Breguet Range Equation as a Function of Energy Storage System

If the power specific fuel consumption  $c_P$  is unknown, we are able to calculate the parameter with the heating value  $H$  [J/kg] of the fuel. As we will see in the next chapter the units of the heating value  $H$  are the same as for the energy density of batteries  $E'$  [Ws/kg], so  $H = E'$ .

With the relation

$$c_p = \frac{1}{E'} = \frac{1}{H} \left[ \frac{kg}{W \cdot s} \right] \quad (2.8)$$

and the overall efficiency  $\eta_{overall}$  of the above Breguet Range Equation is thus defined as a function of the heating value or of the energy density by:

$$R = \frac{L}{D} \frac{E' \cdot \eta_{overall}}{g} \ln \left( \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right) \quad (2.9)$$

A typical value for kerosene is  $E' = 43$  MJ/kg or divided by 3600 s we get  $E = 11944$  Wh/kg.

The charme of this equation is, that it can compare or combine a battery powered aircraft with a fuel powered aircraft. But we have to consider a different overall efficiency  $\eta_{overall}$  which is approximately 2 times better for batteries than for fuel (due to the lower thermal efficiency ~40%).

## 2.4 Breguet Range Equation for Battery powered Aircraft

For using the above Breguet Range Eqns. (2.6) and (2.8) it is essential to know how the equation is derivated. It will not work for an aircraft with no mass reduction due to the burned fuel. A battery or solar powered engine has no reduction in the fuel mass  $m_F$  as the weight of the batteries or the solar panels as a power source is not changing. For  $m_1 = m_2$  as masses at the begin and at the end of the flight  $\ln(m_1/m_2) = \ln 1 = 0$  the result of Equations (2.6) and (2.8) is always  $R = 0$ .

Let us start again with the basic range equation  $R = v \cdot t$ . From mechanic we know that the unit of work  $W$  and energy  $E$  is the same: Watt [W]. Power is defined as work or energy per time:

$$P = \frac{W}{t} = \frac{E}{t} \quad (2.10)$$

where:

$P$  [kW] is the aircraft power

$E$  [kWh] is work  $W$  or the energy of the battery with  $W = F \cdot s$  [Nm] and  $F = m \cdot a$  [N]

$t$  [s] the flight time

With the definition of the mass specific energy

$$E' = \frac{E}{m} \quad (2.11)$$

as the energy per mass [kWh/kg]. Inserting into the above equations the range  $R$  is defined by

$$R = v \cdot E' \cdot m_{bat} / P_{bat} \quad (2.12)$$

In order to rearrange R as a function of the glide ratio L/D we use the power definition and for horizontal flight the constraint L=W and D=T

$$P = D \cdot v = \frac{m \cdot g}{L/D} \cdot v \quad (2.13)$$

and the overall efficiency  $\eta_{overall}$  between the battery power and the aircraft propeller power

$$P = P_{bat} \cdot \eta_{overall} \quad (2.14)$$

where:

P [kW] is the aircraft power at the propeller

$\eta_{overall}$  [-] is the overall efficiency from the battery via the shaft to the propeller

$$\eta_{overall} = \eta_{shaft} \cdot \eta_{prop}$$

Finally the range equation for battery powered aircraft according Hepperle 2013 is

$$R = \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{E' \cdot \eta_{overall}}{g} \cdot \frac{m_{bat}}{m_{ac}} \quad (2.15)$$

where:

$E'$  [Wh/kg] mass specific energy of the battery or the heating value H [J/kg] of fuel

$m_{bat}$  [kg] constant mass of the battery

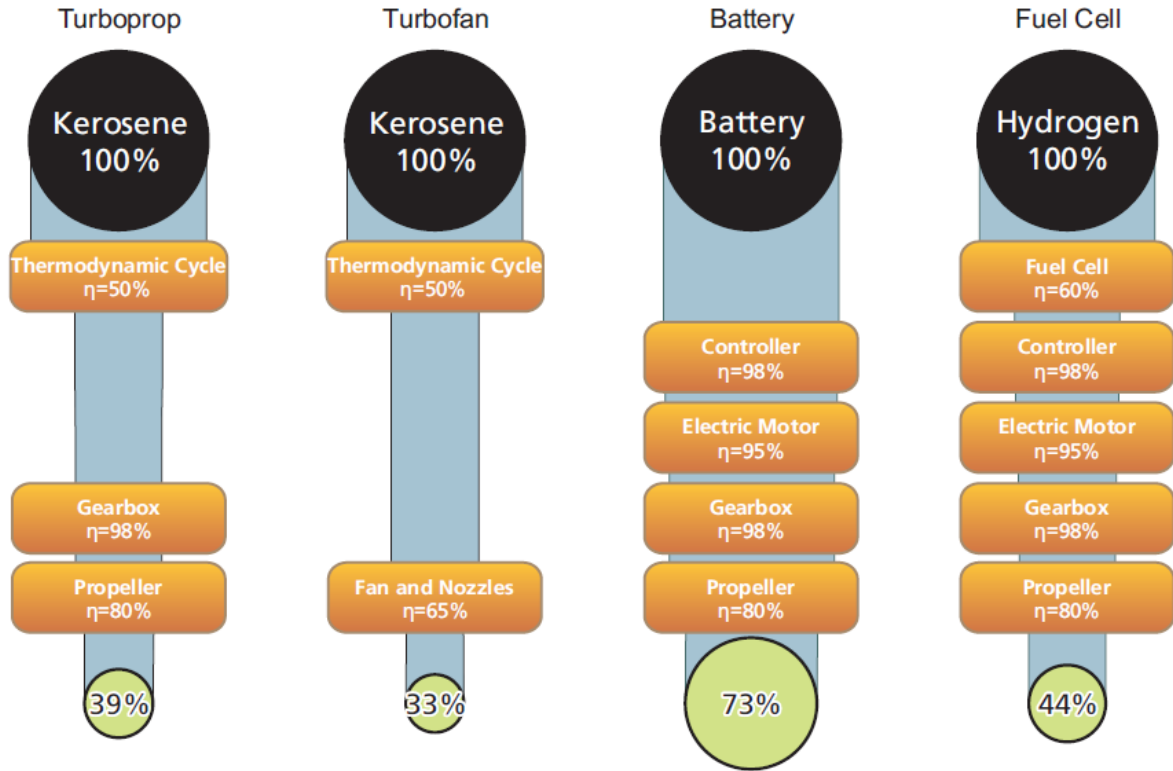
$m_{ac}$  [kg] constant mass of the aircraft,  $m_{ac} = m_{TO} = m_{Ldg}$

Like the Breguet range equation for propeller driven engine the airspeed v is not part of the equation but it will indirectly affect the range R via the glide ratio L/D and the overall efficiency factor  $\eta_{overall}$ .

The actual highest available mass specific energy (energy density) for batteries like Lithium-Polymer (LiPo) batteries, have an energy density of  $E'_{bat} = 240$  Wh/kg and is not improving sufficiently over the last decade for a full use in a midsize aircrafts (Pellenwessel 2012). Comparing with fuel like kerosene with a typical energy density of  $E' = 43$  MJ/kg or divided by 3600 we get

$E'_{Kerosene} = 11944$  Wh/kg. This means that the energy density of fuel is approximately 50 times higher or in other words you need a 50 times higher mass for batteries than for kerosene fuel to supply the same power for the engine. But the overall efficiency  $\eta_{overall}$  with batteries (with an electric motor) as power source is about **2 times** better than for fuel (with a combustion engines).





**Figure 2.1:** Component efficiency and overall efficiency acc. Hepperle 2013

With the actual (6/2018) state of technical readiness we still need about 25 time more battery mass  $m_{bat}$  than fuel mass  $m_F$ :

$$m_{bat} \sim 25 \cdot m_F$$

This lead also to a 25 times higher mass fraction for batteries  $m_{bat}/m$  than for fuel  $m_F/m_{TO}$ .

## 2.5 Breguet Range Equation for Hybrid powered Aircraft

Due to the before mentioned reason (25 times higher mass fraction for batteries) a hybrid powered aircraft, a combination of batteries and fuel as power source is the best of both world and seems to makes more sense for a mid range aircraft.

With the Breguet equation (2.x) and (2.y) for fuel and battery powered aircraft and the definition of the fuel fraction  $M_{ff}$  for a total flight mission

$$M_{ff} = \frac{m_{final}}{m_{initial}} = \frac{m_2}{m_1} \quad (2.16)$$

Hence:

$$\frac{1}{M_{ff}} = \frac{m_{initial}}{m_{final}} = \frac{m_1}{m_2} = \frac{1}{1-m_F/m_{TO}} \quad (2.17)$$

where:

$M_{ff}$  [-] is a ratio, the fuel fraction for the total flight

$m_{final}$  [kg] is the aircraft mass at the end of the flight mission

$m_{initial}$  [kg] is the aircraft mass at the begin of the flight mission

the redefined Breguet range equations are given now for a propeller driven Aircraft with fuel as power source by:

$$R = \frac{E \cdot \eta_P \cdot \eta_F}{c_P \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{1}{1-m_F/m_{TO}} \right) \quad (2.18)$$

and for a propeller driven aircraft with batteries as power source by:

$$R = \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{E' \cdot \eta_P \cdot \eta_{bat}}{g} \cdot \frac{m_{bat}}{m_{TO}} \quad (2.19)$$

We have to note that the overall efficiency of both aircraft systems are different with the before mentioned factor 2.

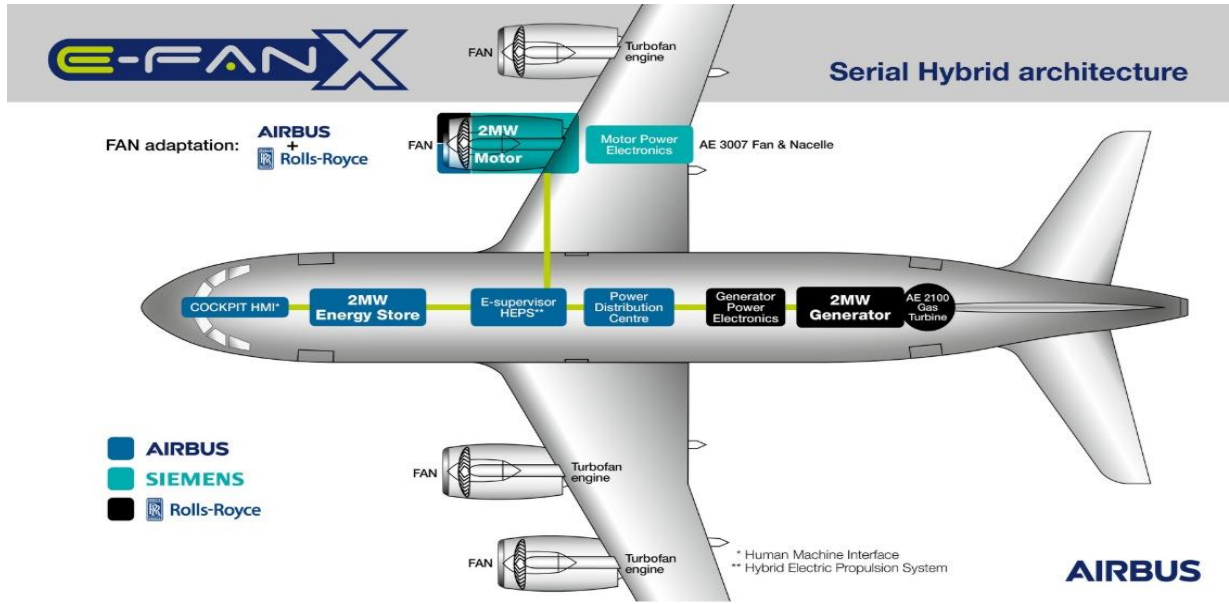
If we now decide, that the batteries are only in charge for a certain percentage  $\vartheta$  of the total range  $R$

$$R = (1 - \vartheta) \cdot R + \vartheta \cdot R \quad (2.20)$$

we only have to insert the ratio factor  $\vartheta = R_{bat} / R$  and adding both above equations to get the new Breguet range equation for a hybrid electric aircraft:

$$R = (1 - \vartheta) \left[ \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{\eta_P \cdot \eta_F}{c_P \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{1}{1-\frac{m_F}{m_{TO}}} \right) \right] + \vartheta \left[ \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{E' \cdot \eta_P \cdot \eta_{bat}}{g} \cdot \frac{m_{bat}}{m_{TO}} \right] \quad (2.21)$$

One of the current famous future project is the development of a hybrid-electric flight demonstrator E-FanX , a partnership of Airbus, Rolls-Royce and Siemens ([www.airbus.com](http://www.airbus.com))



**Figure 2.2** Architecture of the hybrid-electric aircraft E-Fan X

## 2.6 Breguet Range Equations Overview

**Table 2.1** Breguet Range Equation for different aircraft propulsion systems

Aircraft type	Breguet Range Equation	Constants
Jet	$R = \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{V}{C_T \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right)$	$V, C_L, C_D, C_T$ $h \neq \text{const.}$
Propeller	$R = \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{\eta_P}{c_P \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right)$	$V, C_L, C_D, C_P$ $h \neq \text{const.}$
or	$R = \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{E' \cdot \eta_P \cdot \eta_F}{g} \ln \left( \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right)$	$E' = H$ (energy density = heating value)
Battery	$R = \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{E' \cdot \eta_P \cdot \eta_{bat}}{g} \cdot \frac{m_{bat}}{m_{TO}}$	$V, C_L, C_D, E'$ $m_{bat}, m_{TO}$
Hybrid	$R = (1 - \vartheta) \left[ \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{\eta_P \cdot \eta_F}{c_P \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{m_F}{m_{TO}}} \right) \right] + \vartheta \left[ \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{E' \cdot \eta_P \cdot \eta_{bat}}{g} \cdot \frac{m_{bat}}{m_{TO}} \right]$	$V, C_L, C_D,$ $E', C_P$

### 3 Fuel Consumption

#### 3.1 Consumed Fuel Mass

To calculate the specific fuel consumption we reorganize the classical Breguet range equation as follows:

$$C_T = \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{V}{R \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right) \quad (3.1)$$

The constant part of this equation is called the Breguet range factor with the unit [m]:

$$B_S = \frac{L}{D} \cdot \frac{V}{R \cdot g} = \text{const.} \quad (3.2)$$

Thus

$$R = B_S \cdot \ln \left( \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right) \quad (3.3)$$

With the burned fuel mass  $m_F = m_1 - m_2$  the range is given by:

$$R = B_S \cdot \ln \left( \frac{m_2 + m_F}{m_2} \right) = B_S \cdot \ln \left( 1 + \frac{m_F}{m_2} \right) \quad (3.4)$$

or rearranged the mass  $m_1$  as a linear function of the range  $m_1 = f(R)$ :

$$\frac{m_1}{m_2} = e^{\frac{R}{B_S}} \quad (3.5)$$

or:

$$m_F = m_2 \cdot \left( e^{\frac{R}{B_S}} - 1 \right) \quad (3.6)$$

where:

$m_F$  [kg] is the consumed fuel for the range  $R$

$m_2 = m_{\text{final}}$  [kg] is the aircraft mass at the end of the trip

$B_S$  [m] is the constant Breguet factor.

### 3.2 Specific Fuel Consumption SFC

The thrust specific fuel consumption is assumed as a constant value for a horizontal flight. It is a specific value, meaning related to 1 Newton and not to the used thrust  $T_{Cr}$  [N] for the airspeed  $V_{Cr}$  in cruise. The thrust  $T_{Cr}$  depends besides others on the aircraft weight [N], which will be reduced during the flight due to the burned fuel. So, the specific fuel consumption remains constant (SFC = const.) during a level flight but the fuel consumption expressed by the specific air range SAR [kg/m] will not (SAR  $\neq$  const.).

A typical value for an engine of an Airbus A320 with a cruise speed  $M_{Cr}=0.76 \Rightarrow v=244$  m/s at an altitude of 11000m is:

$$c_T = 1.66 \cdot 10^{-5} \left[ \frac{kg}{Ns} \right] \text{ and the same aircraft with a propeller propulsion: } c_P = 6.8 \cdot 10^{-8} \left[ \frac{kg}{Nm} \right]$$

Example: To get a better feeling for this numbers, a full powered A320 with a 120 kN engine is consuming every second  $\sim 2$  kg ( $=1.66 \cdot 120000 \cdot 10^{-5}$ ) which are  $\sim 2.5$  liter fuel. So, for 100 km flight range (in 410 seconds) and 150 Pax on board the content meaning of

$$c_T = 1.66 \cdot 10^{-5} \left[ \frac{kg}{Ns} \right] \text{ is equal to } 6.8 \text{ l/100km/Pax.}$$

### 3.3 Specific Air Range SAR

The specific air range (SAR) is defined as the fuel mass reduction  $dm_F$  for a certain flight range  $dR$  or as the fuel volume related to the fuel flow  $Q$  (rate of burnt fuel per time):

$$SAR = \frac{dR}{dm} = \frac{v}{Q} \left[ \frac{m}{kg} \right] \quad (3.7)$$

Example: An Airbus A320 with a fuel consuming of  $dm_F=14360$  kg =17950 liter for the flight distance  $dR=2500$  NM=4630 km has a specific air range of  $SAR=0.258$  km/kg.

For a 1km flight distance the engines are consuming about 4 kg fuel. To make this value comparable with the SFC, the SAR for a 100 km trip is 400 kg=500 liter kerosene and with 150 Pax on board the meaning of

$$SAR = 0.258 \text{ km/kg is equal to } 3.3 \text{ l/100km/Pax.}$$

Due to the fuel mass reduction during the flight, the aircraft weight is reduced and therefore the specific air range SAR. Compared to the SFC value SAR is not constant for the whole flight distance but it is reducing:

$$SAR \neq \text{const.}$$

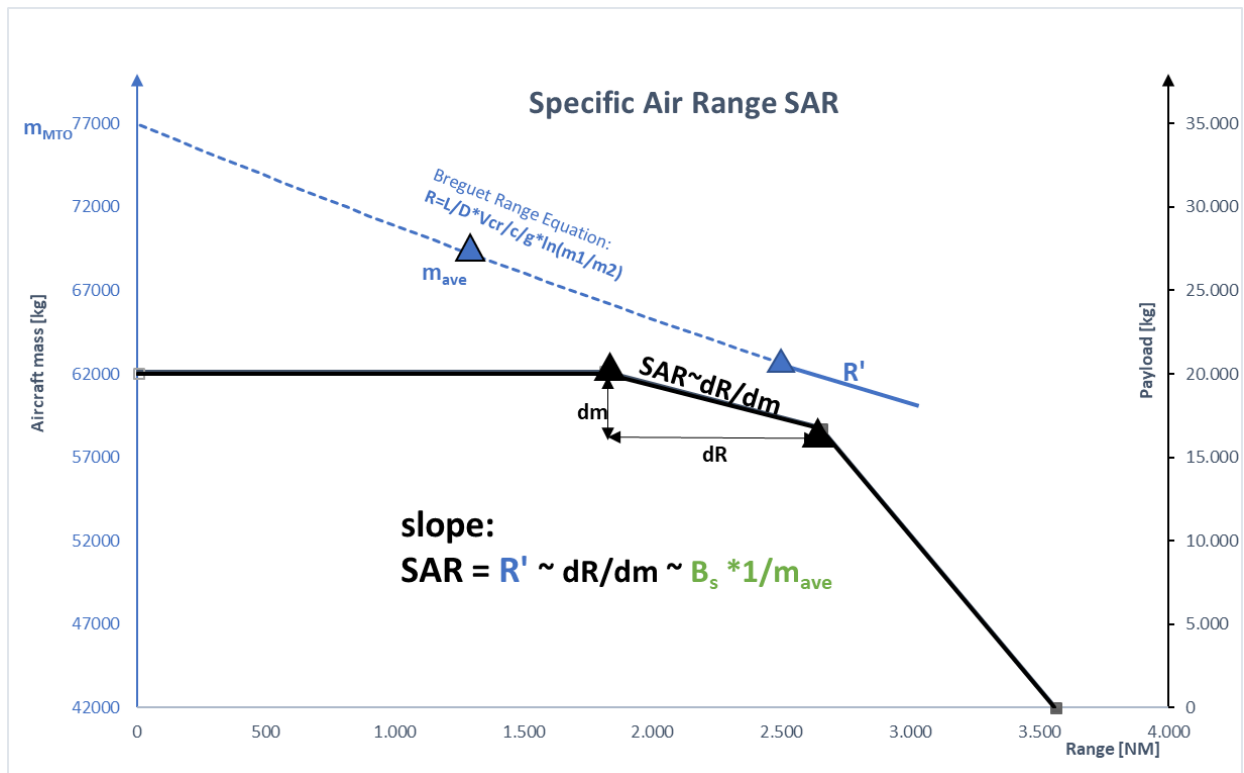
$$SFC = \text{const.}$$

The Specific Air Range is direct readable as a slope from the Payload-Range-Diagram (see next chapter) with the consumed fuel mass  $dm$  and the according distance  $dR$  between the known coordinates  $(R_i/m_i)$  of 2 points.

But to be mathematically correct, the specific air range is the first derivative of the Breguet Range Equation with respect to the mass  $m$  and can be calculated for a certain flight distance:

$$SAR = R' \quad (3.8)$$

In the below graphic the specific air range is the gradient angle of the tangent of the Breguet range equation at a certain range point  $R_i$  is shown:



**Figure 3.1** Specific Air Range SAR in Payload-Range Diagram

A very good approximate solution for the range derivation  $R'$  is gained with the introduction of the average aircraft mass  $m_{ave} = (m_1 - m_2)/2 + m_2$  for the flight:

$$SAR = B_s \cdot \frac{1}{m_{ave}} \quad (3.9)$$

Now we have different methods and approximate solutions with different accuracies to compute the specific air range SAR:

$$SAR = \frac{V}{Q} = R' = \frac{dR}{dm} = B_s \cdot \frac{1}{m_{ave}} \quad (3.10)$$

Even with the rule of proportion (if we consider the  $m_1$ -line and  $m_2$ -curve in Fig. 3.1 as a triangle) we achieve an accuracy of less than 2.2 %. The mathematical exact solution is to compute SAR with the derivation  $R'$  but if only graphical information like the payload-range diagram is available than the approximation with the slope ( $dR/dm$ ) or with the average mass  $m_{ave}$  are sufficient.

## 4 Estimation of the Fuel Fraction with the Payload-Range Diagram

### 4.1 Payload Range Diagram

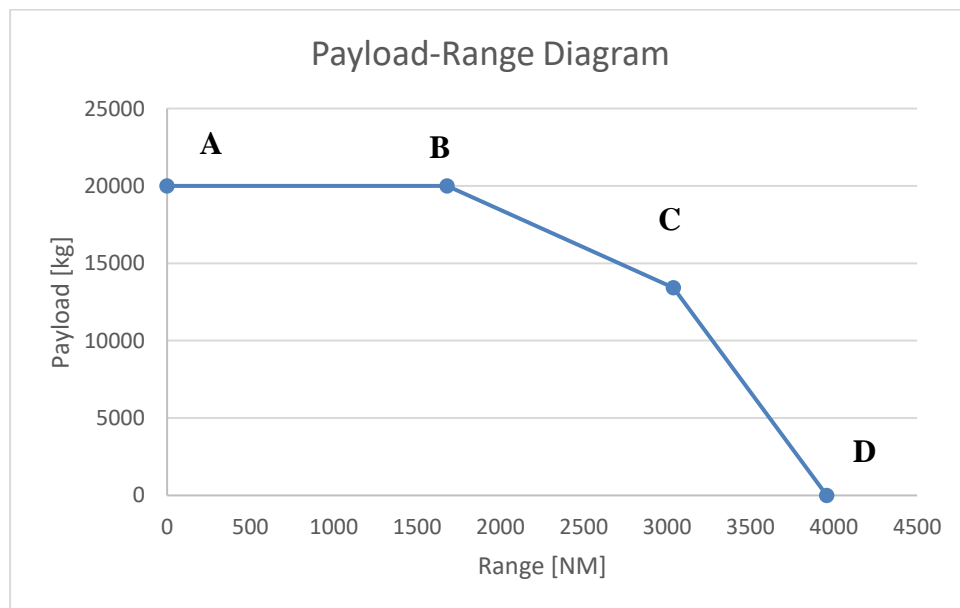
The payload range diagram illustrates the relation between the payload  $m_{PL}$  (pax and cargo mass but excluding fuel mass) and the flight range  $R$  of the aircraft.

Once reached the maximum payload  $m_{MPL}$  the additional fuel mass is limited to the MTOW  $m_{MTO}$  and therefore for a certain range  $R_i$  although the tank volume would allow more fuel  $m_{F,max}$ . At this point B in the below figure additional flight range is only achieved by reducing the payload  $m_{PL}$  and by increasing the fuel mass accordingly up to a certain point C when the tank is full.

From that point a further range with a full tank is only possible by reducing the payload to zero. This point D is called the ferry range  $R_{Ferry}$ , as this is the maximum possible range for an aircraft with no payload and a full tank.

**Table 4.1** Significant Payload-Range Coordinates

Point	Range-Coordinate	Payload-Coordinate
A	$R_0 = 0$	Maximum payload $m_{MPL}$
B	Max. range with max. payload: $R_{MPL}$	Maximum payload $m_{MPL}$
C	Max. range with full tank: $R_{MF}$	Maximum fuel, full tank, $m_{MF}$
D	Max. range for no payload: $R_{Ferry}$	No payload, $m_{PL}=0$



**Figure 4.1** Payload-Range Diagram



## 4.2 Estimation of the Fuel Fraction

If the maximum payload  $m_{MPL}$  and the operating empty mass  $m_{OE}$  is known or calculated with the simple relationship

$$m_{MTO} = m_{OE} + m_{MPL} + m_F \quad (4.1)$$

we can estimate with the classical Breguet equation (2.7)

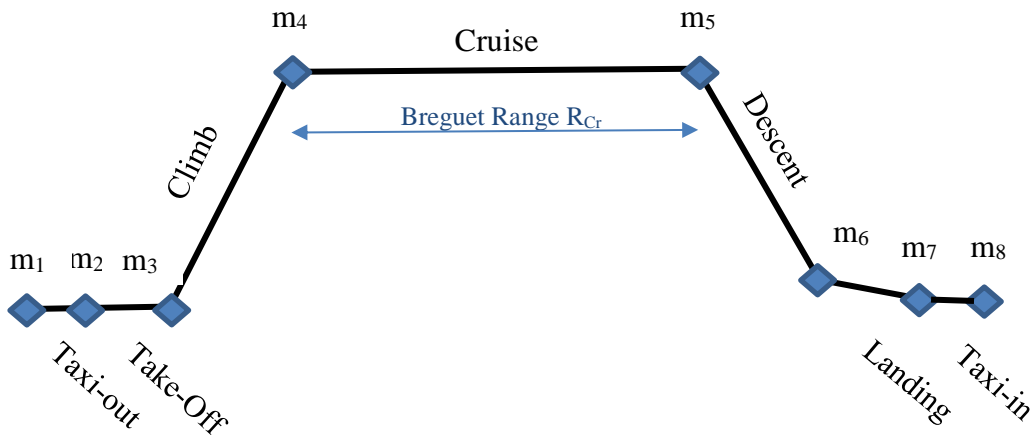
$$R = \frac{L}{D} \frac{V}{C_T \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{m_i}{m_{i+1}} \right) \quad (4.2)$$

the range of point B in the Payload-range diagram. All we need is the aircraft mass at the beginning  $m_i$  and at the end  $m_{i+1}$  of the corresponding segment. The ratio  $m_i/m_{i+1}$  is a function of the consumed fuel  $m_{F,i}$  and thus a function of the fuel fraction  $M_{ff,i}$  for the flight segment  $i$ .

## 4.3 Mission Profile and Fuel Fraction

A typical mission profile (Figure 4.4) of an aircraft is consisting of different segments:

1. Taxi-Out 2. Take-Off 2. Climb, 3. Cruise, 4. Descent, 5. Landing 6. taxi-in). Further fuel is needed as reserve fuel  $m_{Res}$  in case of missed approach or for an alternate airport which is not considered in our below example.



**Figure 4.2:** Typical mission profile

The ratio of the consumed fuel mass  $m_F$  for a complete flight mission relative to the take-off mass  $m_{TO}$  is

$$m_{ff} = \frac{m_F}{m_{TO}} \quad (4.3)$$

and hence the fuel fraction  $M_{ff}$

$$M_{ff} = 1 - \frac{m_F}{m_{TO}} \quad (4.4)$$

The total fuel fraction  $M_{ff}$  is per definition the product (and not the sum!) of the fuel fractions  $M_{ff,i}$  of each segment  $i$ :

$$M_{ff} = \prod_1^i M_{ff,i} \quad (4.5)$$

In our example with 7 different mission segments ( $i=7$ ) the total fuel fraction is:

$$M_{ff} = M_{ff,1} \cdot M_{ff,2} \cdot M_{ff,3} \cdot M_{ff,4} \cdot M_{ff,5} \cdot M_{ff,6} \cdot M_{ff,7} \quad (4.6)$$

$M_{ff}$  is relative to  $m_{TO}$  but the segment fuel fractions  $M_{ff,i}$  are relative to the aircraft mass  $m_i$  at the beginning of the according flight phase  $i$ . With 7 segments in our example we have 8 defined points with a different aircraft mass  $m_i$ :

$$M_{ff} = \frac{m_2}{m_1} \cdot \frac{m_3}{m_2} \cdot \frac{m_4}{m_3} \cdot \frac{m_5}{m_4} \cdot \frac{m_6}{m_5} \cdot \frac{m_7}{m_6} \cdot \frac{m_8}{m_7} = \frac{m_8}{m_1} \quad (4.7)$$

So, the total mass fraction is equal to the mass ratio at the end and at the beginning of the mission. For each segment of the flight the following fuel fractions are given by statistics:

**Table 4.2** Fuel Fraction for a typical flight

Mission segment		Fuel Fraction
1. Taxi-Out	$M_{ff,1}$	0.99
2. Take-Off	$M_{ff,2}$	0.995
3. Climb	$M_{ff,3}$	0.98
4. Cruise	$M_{ff,4}$	Calculated with Breguet
5. Descent	$M_{ff,5}$	0.99
6. Landing	$M_{ff,6}$	0.992
7. Taxi-In	$M_{ff,7}$	0.99
Total	$M_{ff} =$	0.939 · $M_{ff,4}$

If we want to calculate the cruise range  $R_{CR}$  (Tab. 4.2) we only need the inverse mass ratio  $m_i/m_{i+1} = m_{Cr,begin}/m_{Cr,end} = m_4/m_5$  of the cruise segment

$$\frac{m_i}{m_{i+1}} = \frac{1}{1-M_{ff,CR}} \quad (4.8)$$

to calculate the range:

$$R_{Cr} = \frac{L}{D} \frac{V}{C_T \cdot g} \ln \left( \frac{m_{Cr,begin}}{m_{Cr,end}} \right) \quad (4.9)$$

Example:

$$L/D = 17,43$$

$$V = 242 \text{ m/s}$$

$$C_T = 16,4 \text{ mg/N/s}$$

$$m_{Cr,begin} = 77000 \text{ kg}, m_{Cr,end} = 63000 \text{ kg},$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{Cr,begin}/m_{Cr,end} = 77/63=1,222 \Rightarrow M_{ff,Cr}=63/77=0,811$$

$$\text{Result: } R_{Cr} = 5261 \text{ km} = 2841 \text{ NM}$$

To calculate the fuel fraction for a certain segment  $i$  we have to use the inversion of equation (3.x) but with a negative sign (!) in the exponent:

$$M_{ff,i} = \frac{m_{i+1}}{m_i} = e^{-\frac{R_i}{B_{S,i}}} \quad (4.10)$$

With the given range  $R_{Cr}$  from the payload-range diagram and the constant Breguet factor  $B_{S,Cr}$  in our example we get the above given value for the fuel fraction  $M_{ff,Cr}$  for the corresponding cruise segment.

Again, the Breguet factor  $B_S$  is based on constant parameters but only applicable for a certain segment because e.g. the airspeed is different for each mission phase.

Once the total fuel fraction  $M_{ff}$  is known, and thus the fuel mass ratio  $m_F/m_{MTO}$ , we are finally in the position to calculate the MTOW with the so called first law of aircraft design which is simply rearranged from Eqn. (xx):

$$m_{MTO} = \frac{m_{MPL}}{1 - \frac{m_F}{m_{MTO}} - \frac{m_{OE}}{m_{MTO}}} \quad (4.11)$$

## 5 Aircraft Design Method

Under ecological aspect the aim of aircraft design can be described as the optimization of the Breguet aircraft range equation. To achieve this we have to fly with:

1. a maximum glide ratio  $E$  (L-over-D)
2. a low Specific Fuel Consumption (SFC)
3. a maximum fuel fraction  $M_{ff}$
4. a high overall efficiency  $\eta_{overall}$

For aircraft designer the most important challenge is to design a high aerodynamic airplane with the highest glide ratio  $E=L/D=C_L/C_D$ . Lift is mostly known or given, thus  $E$  depends only on drag  $D$ . The drag is consisting mainly of the parasite drag  $D_0$ , which depends on the skin friction (not related to lift) and the induced drag  $D_i$  which is produced by lift and primarily depending on the wing span  $b$ :

$$D = D_0 + D_i = D_0 + \frac{C_L^2}{A \cdot \pi \cdot e} \quad (5.1)$$

$D$  [-] total drag of aircraft

$D_0$  [-] zero drag or parasite drag

$D_i$  [-] induced drag, lift dependent

$C_L$  [-] lift coefficient

$A$  [-] aspect ratio,  $A=b^2/S$ ,  $b$ = wing span [m],  $S$ = wing area [m<sup>2</sup>]

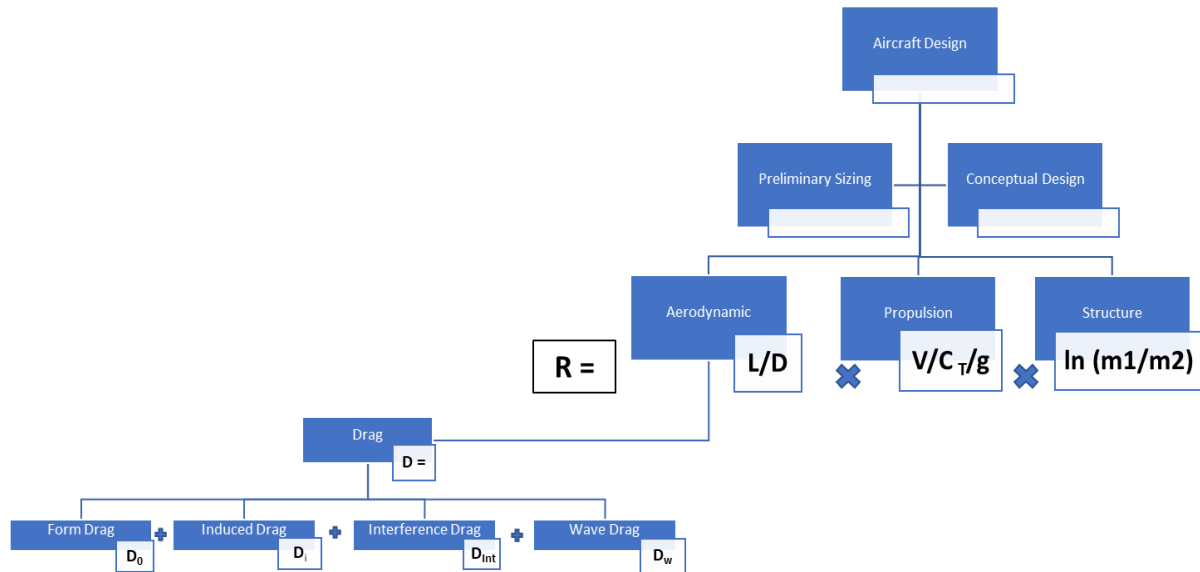
$e$  [-] Oswald factor

For higher Mach number we have additionally consider the wave drag  $D_w$  and the interference drag  $D_{int}$ . In this case the total drag is composed by:

$$D = D_0 + D_i + D_w + D_{int} \quad (5.2)$$

Due to the significance of the drag and lift for aircraft design the drag and lift estimation is covered in a separate report.

Figure 5.1 will illustrate the above determinations and correlations in a graphic overview:



**Figure 5.1** Aircraft Design correlation with Breguet Range Equation and Drag

## 5.1 Preliminary Sizing

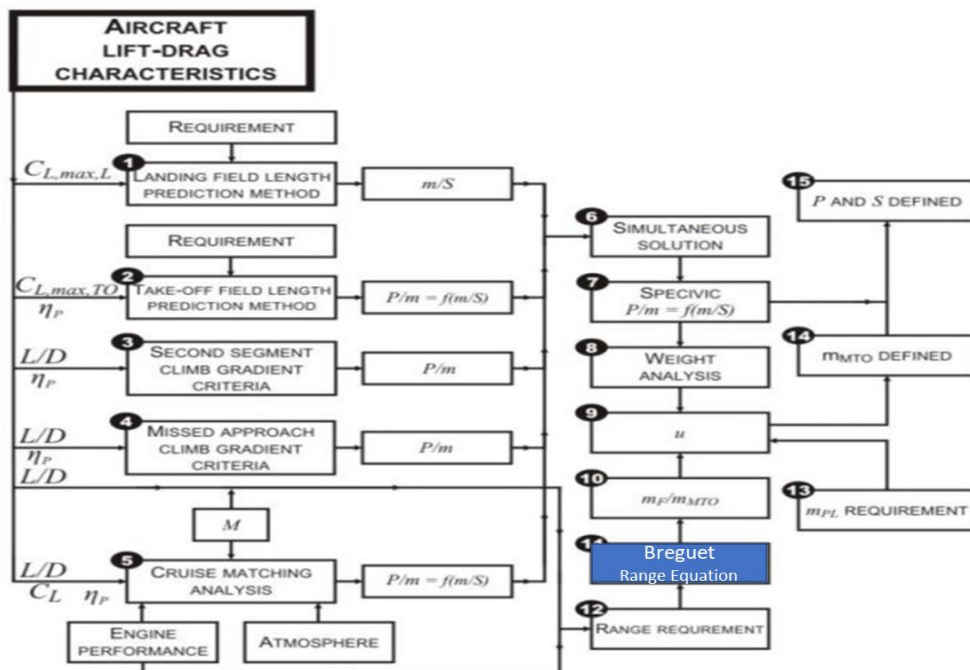
If a certain performance of the aircraft is required (e.g. design range) we have to optimize the glide  $L/D$ , the specific fuel consumption SFC and the fuel fraction  $M_{ff}$ . All these parameters are depending on each other. If we change one parameter it will influence at the same time one or more other parameters. For example: By increasing the wing span in order to get a better aspect ratio and glide ratio the aircraft mass is increasing and probably the engine size with a higher thrust and fuel consumption. This is exactly the snowball effect, which makes the estimation of optimized parameter a little bit complicate. But this is aircraft design.

To do so, one of the first step in aircraft design is the preliminary sizing of the aircraft considering the requirements and constraints which have to fulfil the according regulations (e.g. CS-25 or FAR Part 25 for jet) for each aircraft type. To determine the optimized design point, we need to plot a matching chart which shows for each certain flight manoeuvres the thrust-to-weight ratio and the wing loading. Following flight manoeuvres will be computed and plotted with Eqns.(5.3)-(5.9):

- Take-off
- Climb (2<sup>nd</sup> segment)
- Climb (Missed approach)
- Landing
- Cruise

In Scholz 2015 a detailed process of preliminary sizing based on Loftin 1980 is described. The following modified figure 5.2 shows all steps in an overview:

Input		Output	
Statistic / Literature	Requirements	Relative Values	Absolute values
		Preliminary Sizing I	Preliminary Sizing II
		Matching Chart	Payload-Range Diagram



**Figure 5.2** Preliminary sizing process for propeller aircraft based on Loftin 1980

For a jet aircraft the flow chart is the same. Only power  $P$  has to be exchanged with the thrust  $T$  and the matching chart has the thrust-to-weight ratio instead of power-to-mass ratio as a coordinate axis.

Following the above structure in Figure 5.3 the next subchapters will show the design process is subdivided into 3 main steps: the input data and requirements, the intermediate result of preliminary sizing I with relative values and the matching chart (constraint diagram) and the next step of preliminary sizing II with absolute values as a result calculated with the Breguet range equation and illustrated with the payload-range diagram.

### 5.1.1 Input Data

In order to do the first step of preliminary sizing I we have to introduce the top level aircraft requirements (TLAR) such as the CeRAS data which are very close to an Airbus A320 parameter and published on a website (CeRAS 2014). For redesigning the A320 as a reference aircraft these comprehensive data are suitable and covering different missions.

**Table 5.1** Top Level Aircraft Requirements

Parameter	Symbol	Value (A320)	Remarks
Design range	$R_D$	2750 NM	
Maximum payload	$m_{MPL}$	20000 kg	Incl. 13608 kg for 150 Pax
Cruise Mach number	$M_{Cr}$	0.78	Max. operating speed: VMO=350m/s
Take-off field length	$STOFL$	< 2200 m	@ sea level, ISA +15
Landing distance	$SLFL$	< 1850 m	@ MLW, sea level, ISA, dry
Approach speed landing	$V_{app}$	< 138 m/s	
Wing span limit	$b$	< 36 m	

Further input data are needed for our Excel tool PreSTo (Preliminary Sizing Tool) which was developed at the HAW Hamburg in a classical version for a jet aircraft. Enhanced versions of PreSTo are also available for a jet and propeller driven aircraft with among others a more detailed calculations for the drag (NIȚĂ 2014) and the specific fuel consumption.

**Table 5.2** Input data for PreSTo classic

Parameter	Symbol	Value (A320)	Remarks
Thrust T/O	$T_{TO}$	117,88 kN	@ sea level, M=0, ISA +15, 2xV2527-A5 engines
Thrust Specific fuel consumption TSFC	$CT$	16,03 mg/N/s	@FL350, $M_{CR}=0.78$ , ISA, without bled air off-takes
Operating empty mass ratio	$m_{OE}/m_{MTO}$	0,547	$m_{OE}=42092$ kg, $m_{MTO}=77000$ kg

### 5.1.2 Relative Output Values (Preliminary Sizing I)

With the input data the thrust-to-weight ratio for different flight conditions (take-off, cruise and climb (2nd segment and missed approach) and the wing loading for landing are computed as follows:

**Take-off:**

$$a = \frac{\frac{T_{TO}}{m_{MTO} \cdot g}}{\frac{m_{MTO}}{S_W}} = \frac{k_{TO}}{STOFL \cdot \sigma \cdot C_{L,max,TO}} \quad (5.3)$$

where

$a$  [-] Slope,

$k_{TO}$  [-] Take-off Factor,

$\sigma$  [-] Relative air density,

$C_{L,max,TO}$  [-] =  $0.8 \cdot C_{L,max,L}$  Maximum lift coefficient in take-off configuration,

$STOFL$  [m] Take-off field length

**Climb (2<sup>nd</sup> segment):** 
$$\frac{T_{TO}}{m_{MTO} \cdot g} = \left( \frac{n_E}{n_E - 1} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{E_{TO}} + \sin \gamma \right) \quad (5.4)$$

where:

$T_{TO}$  [N] Take-off thrust  
 $n_E$  [-] Number of engines  
 $E_{TO}$  [-] Glide ratio in take-off configuration  
 $\sin \gamma$  [-] Climb gradient

**Climb (Missed approach):** 
$$\frac{T_{TO}}{m_{MTO} \cdot g} = \left( \frac{n_E}{n_E - 1} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{E_L} + \sin \gamma \right) \frac{m_{ML}}{m_{MTO}} \quad (5.5)$$

where:

$T_{TO}$  [N] Take-off thrust  
 $n_E$  [-] Number of engines  
 $E_L$  [-] Glide ratio in landing configuration  
 $\sin \gamma$  [-] Climb gradient

The wing loading for landing is a function of the landing distance with the maximum lift in landing configuration:

**Landing:** 
$$\frac{m_{MTO}}{S_W} = \frac{\frac{m_{ML}}{S_W}}{\frac{m_{ML}}{m_{MTO}}} \quad (5.6)$$

with  $\frac{m_{ML}}{S_W} = k_L \cdot \sigma \cdot C_{L,max,L} \cdot s_{LFL}$  and  $k_L = 0.03694 \cdot k_{APP}$

where:

$k_L$  [-] Factor,  
 $k_{APP}$  [-] Approach factor 1,70 m/s<sup>2</sup>  
 $\sigma$  [-] Relative air density, is 1 at sea level  
 $C_{L,max,L}$  [-] Maximum lift coefficient in landing configuration  
 $s_{LFL}$  [m] Landing field length, landing distance

For cruise we assume a horizontal unaccelerated flight with a certain constant Mach number but the aircraft speed  $v_{Cr}$  depends on the speed of sound  $a$  and therefore depends on the altitude  $h$  or on the pressure  $p$  ( $h$ ). The thrust in cruise  $T_{Cr}$  is a function of the bypass ratio BPR and the altitude  $h$  and the thrust ratio can be computed according Scholz 2015 as:

$$\frac{T_{Cr}}{T_{TO}} = (0,0013 \cdot BPR - 0,0397) \cdot h - 0,0248 \cdot BPR + 0,7125 \quad 5.7$$

The thrust-to weight ratio and the according wing loading are for cruise:

**Cruise:** 
$$\frac{T_{TO}}{m_{MTO} \cdot g} = \frac{1}{\left( T_{Cr}/T_{TO} \right) \cdot E} \quad 5.8$$

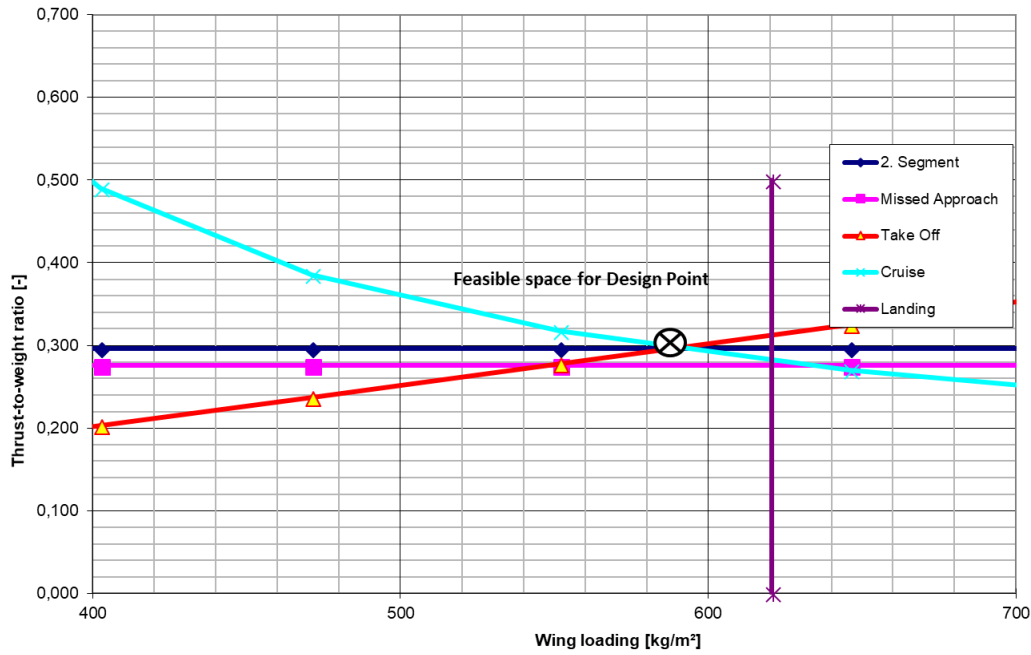
$$\frac{m_{MTO}}{S_W} = \frac{C_L \cdot M_{Cr} \cdot \gamma \cdot p}{g \cdot 2} \quad 5.9$$



where:

- $T_{TO}$  [N] Thrust at take-off
- $T_{Cr}$  [N] Thrust in cruise
- $h$  [km] Cruise altitude
- $p$  [[N/m<sup>2</sup>] Air pressure  $p=f(h)$
- $E$  [-] glide ratio in cruise
- $C_L$  [-] Lift coefficient in cruise
- $M_{Cr}$  [-] Mach number in cruise
- $\gamma$  [-] =1.4 Ratio of specific air heat,

Eqn. (5.3) - (5.9) resulting in the curves of the below matching chart (Fig. 5.3)



**Figure 5.3** Matching chart with A320 data

To determine the design point, the first priority is to minimize the T/W ratio with a maximum wing loading.

### 5.1.2.1 Matching Chart Discussion

The chosen design point should have as much as possible the lowest thrust-to-weight ratio in the chart and must have a smaller wing loading than the calculated. This lead to the optimized design point.

Comparing e.g. the wing loading of the design point of the chart (Figure 5.4) with the realistic A320 data from CeRAS there are still differences (590 kg/m<sup>2</sup> and 630 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) for the wing loading.

The reason for the difference between the real design point of an A320 to our results is that the original version of this aircraft family was designed and optimized for a 73.5 t MTOW version with 111.2 kN thrust. For our sizing we are using an extended version with 77 t MTOW and more powered engines with 118 kN thrust. This results to the same thrust-to-weight ratio 0.308 but at the same landing distance  $S_{LFL}$  and the maximum lift coefficient for

landing  $C_{L,max,L}=2.8$  and for take-off  $C_{L,max,TO}=2.2$ . The slope and curves in the matching chart are depending on these parameters and therefore lead to a different design point.

### 5.1.3 Absolut Output Values (Preliminary sizing II)

At the final stage of preliminary sizing II we are ready to calculate the absolute values for the aircraft size like the maximum take-off mass  $m_{MTO}$  (MTOW), the operating empty mass  $m_{OE}$  (OEW), the fuel mass  $m_F$ , the wing area  $S_w$  and the required thrust  $T_{TO}$  for the engines. So far only relative values for the aircraft size are estimated. If we introduce now the maximum payload  $m_{MPL}$  from the TLAR requirement list (Tab 5.1) we get e.g. from the relative values of preliminary sizing I an absolute value for MTOW from Eqn. (4.11):

$$m_{MTO} = \frac{m_{MPL}}{1 - \frac{m_F}{m_{MTO}} - \frac{m_{OE}}{m_{MTO}}}$$

where  $m_{MPL}$  is given from the requirements TLAR, the mass ratio  $m_{OE}/m_{MTO}$  is given by statistic ( $\sim 0.55$  or from an approximate equation) and the fuel mass ratio can be calculated as a function of

$$m_F/m_{MTO} = f(M_{ff}) = f(M_{ff,CR}) = f(Range, B_s)$$

Finally all further absolute sizing parameters like the operating empty mass  $m_{OE}$ , the fuel mass  $m_F$ , the wing area  $S_w$ , the take-off thrust  $T_{TO}$  and the maximum landing mass  $m_{ML}$  can now easily derived from the according relative sizing values (relative to  $m_{MTO}$ ) of the designed aircraft (Eqn. 5.1 -5.4).

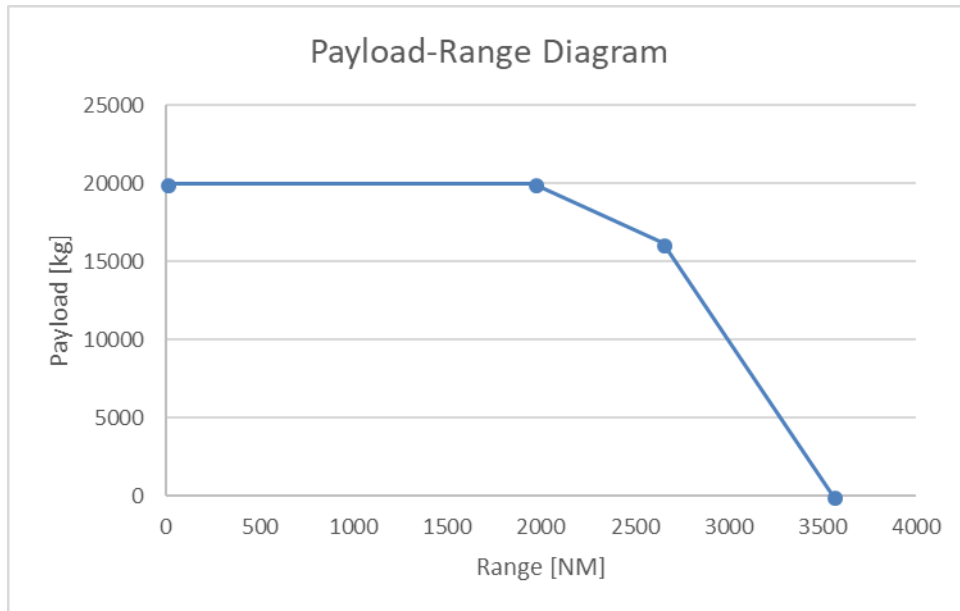
Again, the preliminary sizing is an iterative process. In the PreSTo sizing tool the main criterion for an additional iteration is the maximum landing mass  $m_{ML}$ . As long this value is lower than the sum of the zero fuel mass  $m_{ZF}$  and the reserve fuel mass  $m_{F,Res}$

$$m_{ML} < m_{ZF} + m_{F,Res}$$

a new iteration is recommended by increasing the mass ratio  $m_{ML}/m_{MTO}$ .

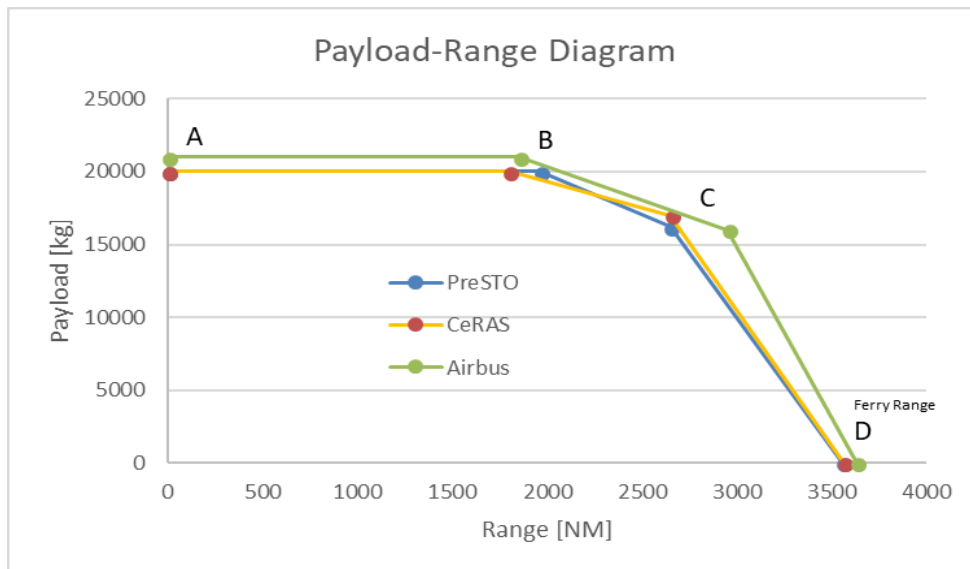
### 5.1.3.1 Payload Range Diagram of Redesigned A320

When the preliminary sizing is finished, we have all data to draw the payload range diagram. In our sizing example (Appendix A) we redesigned an Airbus A320 aircraft with CeRAS data. All data for drawing the payload-range diagram are now available and shown in the below Fig. 5.4:



**Figure 5.4** Payload-Range diagram of redesigned Airbus A320 with PreSTO

Comparing with the CeRAS payload-range diagrams (Appendix 2) there are small differences with the coordinates of points B and C as the next figure 5.6 is shown:



**Figure 5.5** Payload-Range Diagram Airbus A320 from different sources

The difference to the Airbus payload diagram is based on the fact, that the diagram is created with a different engine (CFM56-5B), higher maximum payload (21000 kg) and considering a 2-step-cruise (35000/39000ft). As the slope between B and C are nearly the same, the fuel consumption SAR of both engine types is approximately equal.

Between CeRAS and PreSTo the slope difference between B and C is obviously much higher. The reason for that is the higher used SFC in PreSTo for the complete distance between A and C. In PreSTo only an average value of SFC (17,2 mg/N/s) is used and it will not distinguish between the SFC in climb, cruise and descent mode.

**Table 5.3** Aircraft parameter from Airbus, CeRAS and PreSTo

Parameter	Airbus	CeRAS (Mission MTOW)	PreSTo	Deviation (PreSTo/CeRAS)
Engine type	2 x CFM56-5B	2x V2527-A5	V2527-A5	-
Thrust $T_{TO}$	2 x 120.1 kN	2x117.88 kN	2x118.05 kN	+ 0,1 %
TSFC $c_T$ (with outtakes)	15.6 mg/N/s	16.73 mg/N/s (cruise)	17.17 mg/N/s (average)	+ 2.6%
Mach no. $M_{CR}$	0.76	0.78	0.78	0 %
Bypass ratio BPR	5.7	-	4.8	-
Wing area $S_W$	122.4 m <sup>2</sup>	122.41 m <sup>2</sup>	122,41 m <sup>2</sup>	0 %
Wing span b	34.1 m	34.1 m	34.1 m	0 %
Aspect ratio A	9.48	9.48	9.48	0 %
Glide ratio E	17.67	17.43	17.43	0 %
Mission Range R	-	2500 NM	2500 NM	0 %
Ferry Range	3630 NM	3560 NM	3556 NM	-0.1 %
MTOW $m_{MTO}$	77000 kg	77000 kg	77007 kg	+ 0.1 %
MLW $m_{ML}$	64500 kg	64500 kg	64686 kg	0.3%
MZFW $m_{MZF}$	60500 kg	62092 kg	62123 kg	+ 0.1 %
OEW $m_{OE}$	41244 kg	42092 kg	42123 kg	+ 0.1 %
Payload $m_{MPL}$	19256 kg	20000 kg	20000 kg	0 %
Max. Fuel $m_{MF}$	19159 kg	18678 kg	19272 kg	+ 3.1 %
Res. Fuel $m_{Res}$	4701 kg	3548 kg	3365 kg	-5.4 %
Wing loading	628 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	629.1 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	621 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	-1.3 %
Thrust-to-weight T/W	0.308	0.312	0.313	+ 0.3 %

### 5.1.3.2 Extended Payload-Range Diagram

## 6 Summary and Conclusion

With the extended payload-range diagram in Fig. 5.6 it is illustrated that the slope of the Breguet range curve ( $m_2$ -line) is approximately parallel to the SAR slope between point B and C only with the difference of the fuel reserve  $m_{Res}$ . Beside that the Breguet range curve is more precise and the specific air range SAR (and therefore the fuel consumption) is from the mathematical point of view more precise computed as the first derivation  $R'$  of the Breguet range equation.

If it comes to the fuel consumption the Breguet range equation supply more precise results and is more exact for a certain range  $R_i$  than just the slope of the SAR from the payload-range diagram.

It has also been demonstrated that the Breguet range equation is a precise indicator of aircraft design and quality as it includes changes and improvements in aircraft design like the aerodynamic with the depending drag and lift, the fuel consumption of the engines and the aircraft structure and weight. To summarize this report: Aircraft design can be considered as an optimisation of the Breguet range equation.

For education in *Aircraft Design a First Approach With the Breguet Range Equation* is highly recommended and a practical method for understanding the complexity in aircraft design as it is described more detailed in Raymer 1992: *Aircraft Design: A Conceptual Approach*.

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# Appendix A

## PreSTo spreadsheets

1.) Preliminary Sizing I				CeRAS-Data									
Calculations for flight phases approach, landing, take-off, 2nd segment and missed approach													
<div><b>Bold blue</b> values represent input data. Values based on experience are <b>light blue</b>. Usually you should not change these values! Results are marked <b>red</b>. Don't change these cells! Interim values, constants, ... are in black! " &lt;&lt;&lt;&lt; " marks special input or user action.</div>				<div>Author: <b>Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dieter Scholz, MSME</b> <b>HAW Hamburg</b> <a href="http://www.ProfScholz.de">http://www.ProfScholz.de</a> Example data: Ceras A320-200 Status: 2018-07-03, Clemens Pellenwessel</div>									
<b>Approach</b>													
Factor	K <sub>APP</sub>	1,70 (m/s²) <sup>0.5</sup>											
Conversion factor		1,944 kt / m/s											
<b>Given: landing field length</b>				<<<< Choose according to task (ja = yes; nein = no)									
Landing field length	S <sub>LFL</sub>	1513 m											
Approach speed	V <sub>APP</sub>	66,2 m/s											
Approach speed	V <sub>APP</sub>	128,7 kt	$V_{APP} = k_{APP} \cdot \sqrt{S_{LFL}}$										
<b>Given: approach speed</b>													
Approach speed	V <sub>APP</sub>	138,0 kt	$S_{LFL} = \left( \frac{V_{APP}}{k_{APP}} \right)^2$										
Approach speed	V <sub>APP</sub>	71,0 m/s											
Landing field length	S <sub>LFL</sub>	1740 m											
<b>Landing</b>													
Landing field length	S <sub>LFL</sub>	1740 m											
Temperature above ISA (288,15K)	ΔT <sub>L</sub>	0 K	CeRAS: ISA										
Relative density	σ	1,000											
Factor	k <sub>L</sub>	0,107 kg/m³	$k_L = 0,03694 k_{APP}^2$										
Max. lift coefficient, landing	C <sub>L,max,L</sub>	2,8	CeRAS: C <sub>L,max</sub> ,ldg=2,80										
Mass ratio, landing - take-off	m <sub>ML</sub> / m <sub>TO</sub>	0,84	CeRAS: 0,84										
Wing loading at max. landing mass	m <sub>ML</sub> / S <sub>W</sub>	521 kg/m²	$m_{MTO} / S_W = \frac{m_{ML} / S_W}{m_{ML} / m_{MTO}}$										
Wing loading at max. take-off mass	m <sub>MTO</sub> / S <sub>W</sub>	621 kg/m²											
<b>Take-off</b>													
	38 S <sub>TOFL</sub>	2184,2 m	CeRAS: TODR=2184,2m										
Temperatur above ISA (288,15K)	ΔT <sub>TO</sub>	15 K	CeRAS: ISA+15										
Relative density	σ	0,951											
Factor	k <sub>TO</sub>	2,3 m³/kg	changed from 2,34										
Expreience value for C <sub>L,max,TO</sub>	0,8 * C <sub>L,max,L</sub>	2,24	$a = \frac{T_{TO} / (m_{MTO} \cdot g)}{m_{MTO} / S_W} = \frac{k_{TO}}{S_{TOFL} \cdot \sigma \cdot C_{L,max,TO}}$										
Max. lift coefficient, take-off	C <sub>L,max,TO</sub>	2,2											
Slope	a	0,0005036 kg/m³	CeRAS: C <sub>L,max</sub> ,TO= 2,2										
Thrust-to-weight ratio	T <sub>TO</sub> /m <sub>MTO</sub> *g at m <sub>MTO</sub> /S <sub>W</sub> calculated from landing	0,313	CeRAS: 0,312										
<b>2nd Segment</b>													
<b>Calculation of glide ratio</b>													
Aspect ratio	A	9,48	CeRAS: A=9,48										
Lift coefficient, take-off	C <sub>L,TO</sub>	1,53											
Lift-independent drag coefficient, clean	C <sub>D,0</sub> (for calculation: 2. Segment)	0,019	<table><tr><td>n<sub>E</sub></td><td>sin(γ)</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>0,024</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>0,027</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>0,030</td></tr></table>			n <sub>E</sub>	sin(γ)	2	0,024	3	0,027	4	0,030
n <sub>E</sub>	sin(γ)												
2	0,024												
3	0,027												
4	0,030												
Lift-independent drag coefficient, flaps	ΔC <sub>D,flap</sub>	0,021 ???											
Lift-independent drag coefficient, slats	ΔC <sub>D,slat</sub>	0,000											
Profile drag coefficient	C <sub>D,P</sub>	0,040											
Oswald efficiency factor; landing configuration	e <sub>TO</sub>	0,525	SCHOLZ / NITA A320: e_CR=										
Glide ratio in take-off configuration	E <sub>TO</sub>	8,06	e_TO=e_CR*0,7										
<b>Calculation of thrust-to-weight ratio</b>													
Number of engines	n <sub>E</sub>	2	$\frac{T_{TO}}{m_{MTO} \cdot g} = \left( \frac{n_E}{n_E - 1} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{E_{TO}} + \sin \gamma \right)$										
Climb gradient	sin(γ)	0,024											
Thrust-to-weight ratio	T <sub>TO</sub> / m <sub>MTO</sub> *g	0,296											
<b>Missed approach</b>													
<b>Calculation of the glide ratio</b>													
Lift coefficient, landing	C <sub>L,L</sub>	1,66	<table><tr><td></td><td></td><td>CS-25</td><td>FAR Part 25</td></tr><tr><td>ΔC<sub>D,gear</sub></td><td></td><td>0,000</td><td>0,015</td></tr></table>					CS-25	FAR Part 25	ΔC <sub>D,gear</sub>		0,000	0,015
		CS-25				FAR Part 25							
ΔC <sub>D,gear</sub>		0,000	0,015										
Lift-independent drag coefficient, clean	C <sub>D,0</sub> (for calculation: Missed Approach)	0,019											
Lift-independent drag coefficient, flaps	ΔC <sub>D,flap</sub>	0,028											
Lift-independent drag coefficient, slats	ΔC <sub>D,slat</sub>	0,000											
Choose: Certification basis	CS-25	no	<<<< Choose according to task										
	FAR Part 25	yes											
Lift-independent drag coefficient, landing gear	ΔC <sub>D,gear</sub>	0,015	<table><tr><td>n<sub>E</sub></td><td>sin(γ)</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>0,021</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>0,024</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>0,027</td></tr></table>			n <sub>E</sub>	sin(γ)	2	0,021	3	0,024	4	0,027
n <sub>E</sub>	sin(γ)												
2	0,021												
3	0,024												
4	0,027												
Profile drag coefficient	C <sub>D,P</sub>	0,062											
Glide ratio in landing configuration	E <sub>L</sub>	6,98											
<b>Calculation of thrust-to-weight ratio</b>													
Climb gradient	sin(γ)	0,021	$\frac{T_{TO}}{m_{MTO} \cdot g} = \left( \frac{n_E}{n_E - 1} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{E_L} + \sin \gamma \right) \cdot \frac{m_{ML}}{m_{MTO}}$										
Thrust-to-weight ratio	T <sub>TO</sub> / m <sub>MTO</sub> *g	0,276											

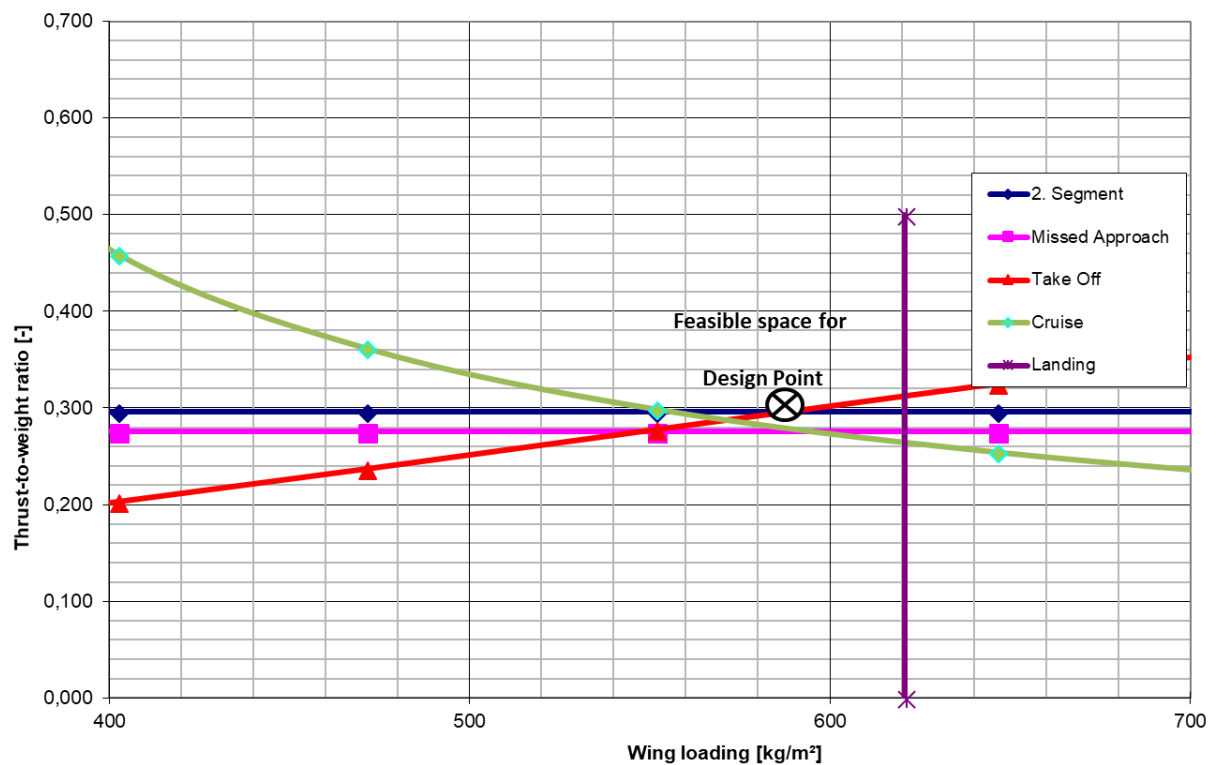
### 3.) Preliminary Sizing II

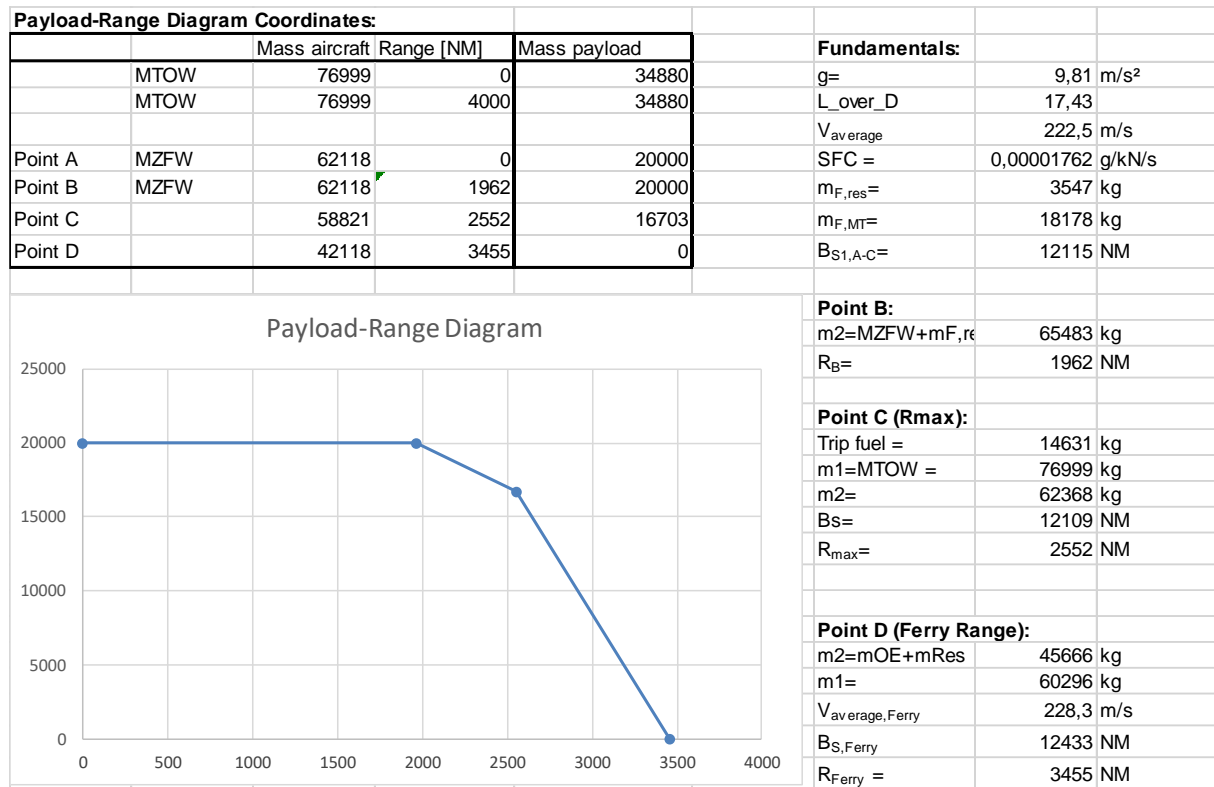
Calculations for cruise, matching chart, fuel mass, operating empty mass and aircraft parameters  $m_{MTO}$ ,  $m_L$ ,  $m_{OE}$ ,  $S_w$ ,  $T_{TO}$ , ...

Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value	1,316074013					
By-pass ratio	BPR	4,8	V2527-A5 engine	Jet, Theory, Optimum: 1,316074013					
Max. glide ratio, cruise	E <sub>max</sub>	17,43	(aus Teil 2)	changed to 1 => E=E <sub>max</sub>					
Aspect ratio	A	9,48	(aus Teil 1)	CeRAS: 17,43					
Oswald eff. factor, clean	e	0,77		CeRAS: 9,48					
Zero-lift drag coefficient	C <sub>D,0</sub>	0,0189		SCHOLZ/NITA 2012 e=0,77 @M=0,78					
Lift coefficient at E <sub>max</sub>	C <sub>L,md</sub>	0,66		CeRAS 0,188					
Mach number, cruise	M <sub>CR</sub>	0,78		CeRAS M=0,78					
<div><div><math display="block">C_{D,0} = \frac{\pi \cdot A \cdot e}{4 \cdot E_{max}^2}</math></div><div><math display="block">C_{L,md} = \sqrt{C_{D,0} \cdot \pi \cdot A \cdot e}</math></div></div>									
Constants									
Ratio of specific heats, air	γ	1,4							
Earth acceleration	g	9,81	m/s²						
Air pressure, ISA, standard	p <sub>0</sub>	101325	Pa						
Euler number	e	2,7182818							
<div><div><math display="block">\frac{T_{TO}}{m_{MTO} \cdot g} = \frac{1}{(T_{CR} / T_{TO}) \cdot E}</math></div><div><math display="block">\frac{m_{MTO}}{S_w} = \frac{C_L \cdot M^2}{g} \cdot \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot p(h)</math></div></div>									
Altitude	Cruise	2nd Segment	Missed appr.	Take-off	Cruise	Landing			
h [km]	h [ft]	T <sub>CR</sub> / T <sub>TO</sub>	T <sub>TO</sub> / m <sub>MTO</sub> ·g	p(h) [Pa]	m <sub>MTO</sub> / S <sub>w</sub> [kg/m²]	T <sub>TO</sub> / m <sub>MTO</sub> ·g	T <sub>TO</sub> / m <sub>MTO</sub> ·g	T <sub>TO</sub> / m <sub>MTO</sub> ·g	T <sub>TO</sub> / m <sub>MTO</sub> ·g
0	0	0,593	0,097	101325	2894	0,296	0,276	1,46	0,10
1	3.281	0,560	0,102	89873	2567	0,296	0,276	1,29	0,10
2	6.562	0,527	0,109	79493	2270	0,296	0,276	1,14	0,11
3	9.843	0,493	0,116	70105	2002	0,296	0,276	1,01	0,12
4	13.123	0,460	0,125	61636	1760	0,296	0,276	0,89	0,12
5	16.404	0,426	0,135	54015	1543	0,296	0,276	0,78	0,13
6	19.685	0,393	0,146	47176	1347	0,296	0,276	0,68	0,15
7	22.966	0,359	0,160	41056	1173	0,296	0,276	0,59	0,16
8	26.247	0,326	0,176	35595	1017	0,296	0,276	0,51	0,18
9	29.528	0,292	0,196	30737	878	0,296	0,276	0,44	0,20
10	32.808	0,259	0,222	26431	755	0,296	0,276	0,38	0,22
11	36.089	0,225	0,255	22627	646	0,296	0,276	0,33	0,25
12	39.370	0,192	0,299	19316	552	0,296	0,276	0,28	0,30
13	42.651	0,158	0,362	16498	471	0,296	0,276	0,24	0,36
14	45.932	0,125	0,459	14091	402	0,296	0,276	0,20	0,46
15	49.213	0,092	0,627	12035	344	0,296	0,276	0,17	0,63
Remarks:	1m=3,281 ft	T <sub>CR</sub> /T <sub>TO</sub> = (BPR,h)	Gl. (5.27)	Gl. (5.32/5.33)	Gl. (5.34)	from sheet 1.)	from sheet 1.)	from sheet 1.)	Repeat for plot
Wing loading	m <sub>MTO</sub> / S <sub>w</sub>	621	kg/m²	<<<< Read design point from matching chart!					CeRAS: 629,1
Thrust-to-weight ratio	T <sub>TO</sub> / (m <sub>MTO</sub> ·g)	0,313		<<<< Given data is correct when take-off and landing is sizing the aircraft at the same time.					CeRAS: 0,312
Thrust ratio	(T <sub>CR</sub> /T <sub>TO</sub> ) <sub>CR</sub>	0,184							
Conversion factor	m -> ft	0,305	m/ft						
Cruise altitude	h <sub>CR</sub>	12250	m	calculated h <sub>CR</sub> =f(BPR, T/W, L/D)					
Cruise altitude	h <sub>CR</sub>	40191	ft						
Temperature, troposphere	T <sub>Troposphere</sub>	208,52	K	T <sub>stratosphere</sub> [K]	216,65				
Temperature, h <sub>CR</sub>	T(h <sub>CR</sub> )	216,65							
Speed of sound, h <sub>CR</sub>	a	295	m/s	M= 0,78					
Cruise speed	V <sub>CR</sub>	223	m/s	V=a*M average air speed from T/O to landing					CeRAS: given time 5.784 h 222,51
Conversion factor	NM -> m	1852	m/NM						
Design range	R	2500	NM						CeRAS: MTOW Range= 2500 NM
Design range	R	4630000	m	R_Cruise [m]=	4176260				R_Cruise [NM] 2255 changed until I
Distance to alternate	S <sub>to_alternate</sub>	200	NM						
Distance to alternate	S <sub>to_alternate</sub>	370400	m	Reserve flight distance:					CeRAS: 200NM
Chose: FAR Part121-Reserv	domestic	no		FAR Part 121	S <sub>res</sub>				CeRAS: JAR-OPS 1.255
Extra-fuel for long range	international	yes		domestic	370400	m			CeRAS: 200NM=370400m
		5%		international	601900	m			CeRAS: 5% included???
Extra flight distance	S <sub>res</sub>	601900	m						
Spec.fuel consumption, cruise	SFC <sub>CR</sub>	1,76E-05	kg/N/s	typical value	1,60E-05	kg/N/s			CeRAS: SFC 16,73 mg/N/s with bled air
				Extra time:					CeRAS: SFC average = 17,62 mg/N/s (climb including reserve fuel
Breguet-Factor, cruise	B <sub>s</sub>	22437431	m	FAR Part 121	t <sub>loiter</sub>				Eqn. for Fuel Fraction, Cruise Mff,Re correc
Fuel-Fraction, cruise	M <sub>f,CR</sub>	0,830		domestic	2700	s			
Fuel-Fraction, extra flight dis	M <sub>f,RES</sub>	0,974		international	1800	s			
Loiter time	t <sub>loiter</sub>	1800	s						Trip fuel m <sub>Tr</sub> 14360
Spec.fuel consumption, loiter	SFC <sub>loiter</sub>	1,76E-05	kg/N/s						Reserve fuel m <sub>F,Res</sub> 3394
Breguet-Factor, flight time	B <sub>f</sub>	100838	s						Taxi out fuel m <sub>F,Taxout</sub> 276
Fuel-Fraction, loiter	M <sub>f,loiter</sub>	0,982							Taxi in fuel m <sub>F,Taxin</sub> 153
				Phase	M <sub>ff</sub> per flight phases [Roskam]				CeRAS:
					transport jet	business jet			m <sub>F,mission</sub> 18183
Fuel-Fraction, engine start	M <sub>f,engine start</sub>	1,000	<<<< Copy	engine start	0,990	0,990			taxi out & engir 0,985
Fuel-Fraction, taxi	M <sub>f,taxi</sub>	0,985	<<<< values	taxi out	0,990	0,995			taxi in 0,992
Fuel-Fraction, take-off	M <sub>f,TO</sub>	1,000	<<<< from	take-off	0,995	0,995			276
Fuel-Fraction, climb	M <sub>f,CLB</sub>	0,975	<<<< table	climb	0,980	0,980			153
Fuel-Fraction, descent	M <sub>f,DES</sub>	1,000	<<<< on the	descent	0,990	0,990			
Fuel-Fraction, landing	M <sub>f,L</sub>	0,992	<<<< right !	landing	0,992	0,992			0,975
Fuel-Fraction, standard flight	M <sub>f,std</sub>	0,803		Trip fuel fraction					
Fuel-Fraction, all reserves	M <sub>f,res</sub>	0,956		new equation without Mff,climb and Mff,descent					
Fuel-Fraction, total	M <sub>f,t</sub>	0,768							CeRAS: 0,757
Mission fuel fraction	m <sub>F</sub> /m <sub>MTO</sub>	0,232							CeRAS: 0,243
Relative operating empty mass	m <sub>OE</sub> /m <sub>MTO</sub>	0,555		acc. to Loftin					
Relative operating empty mass	m <sub>OE</sub> /m <sub>MTO</sub>	0,547		from statistics (if given)					CeRAS: 0,547
Relative operating empty mass	m <sub>OE</sub> /m <sub>MTO</sub>	0,547		<<<< Choose according to task					
Chose: type of a/c	short / medium range	yes		<<<< Choose according to task					
	long range	no							
Mass: Passengers, including	m <sub>PAX</sub>	93,0	kg	in kg	Short- and Medium Range	Long Range			
Number of passengers	n <sub>PAX</sub>	150		m <sub>PAX</sub>	93,0	97,5			CeRAS: 90,72 kg
Cargo mass	m <sub>cargo</sub>	3050	kg						
Payload	m <sub>PL</sub>	17000	kg						CeRAS: 17000kg
Max. Take-off mass	m <sub>MTO</sub>	76999	kg	m <sub>MTO</sub> = $\frac{m_{NPL}}{1 - \frac{m_F}{m_{MTO}} - \frac{m_{OE}}{m_{MTO}}}$					CeRAS: 77000kg
Max. landing mass	m <sub>ML</sub>	64679	kg						CeRAS: 64500kg
Operating empty mass	m <sub>OE</sub>	42118	kg						CeRAS: 42092kg
Mission fuel fraction, standar	m <sub>F</sub>	17880	kg	Mission fuel, not fraction!!!					CeRAS: 18183kg
Wing area	S <sub>w</sub>	124,1	m²						CeRAS: 122,4 m²
Take-off thrust	T <sub>TO</sub>	236085	N	all engines together					
T-O thrust of ONE engine	T <sub>TO</sub> / n <sub>E</sub>	118043	N	one engine					
T-O thrust of ONE engine	T <sub>TO</sub> / n <sub>E</sub>	26536	lb	one engine					
Fuel mass, needed	m <sub>F,ert</sub>	18778	kg	Trip fuel m <sub>F,Tr</sub>	14680				CeRAS: 18668kg
Fuel density	ρ <sub>F</sub>	800	kg/m³						
Fuel volume, needed	V <sub>F,ert</sub>	23,5	m³	(check with tank geometry later on)					
Max. Payload	m <sub>MPL</sub>	20000	kg						CeRAS: 20000kg
Max. zero-fuel mass	m <sub>MZF</sub>	62118	kg						CeRAS: 62092kg
Zero-fuel mass	m <sub>ZF</sub>	59118	kg						CeRAS: 59012kg
Fuel mass, all reserves	m <sub>F,res</sub>	3364	kg						CeRAS: 3385kg
Check of assumptions	check:	m <sub>ML</sub>	64679	>	m <sub>ZF</sub> + m <sub>F,res</sub>	62483	kg		
				yes					Aircraft sizing finished!

2.) Max. Glide Ratio in Curise			
Estimation of $k_E$ by means of 1.), 2.) or 3.)			
1.) From theory			
Oswald efficiency factor for $k_E$	$e$	0,75	from NITA 2012 A320: $e_{CR}= 0,75$
Equivalent surface friction coefficient	$C_{f,eqv}$	0,003	
Factor	$k_E$	14,0	
2.) Acc. to RAYMER			
Factor	$k_E$	15,8	
3.) From own statistics			
Factor	$k_E$	???	
Estimation of max. glide ratio in cruise, $E_{max}$			
Factor	$k_E$ chosen	14,0	<<<< Choose according to task
Relative wetted area	$S_{wet} / S_w$	6,1	
Aspect ratio	$A$	9,48 (from sheet 1)	
Max. glide ratio	$E_{max}$	17,47	$S_{wet} / S_w = 6,0 \dots 6,2$
	or		
Max. glide ratio	$E_{max}$ chosen	17,43	CeRAS=17,4;<<<< Choose according to task

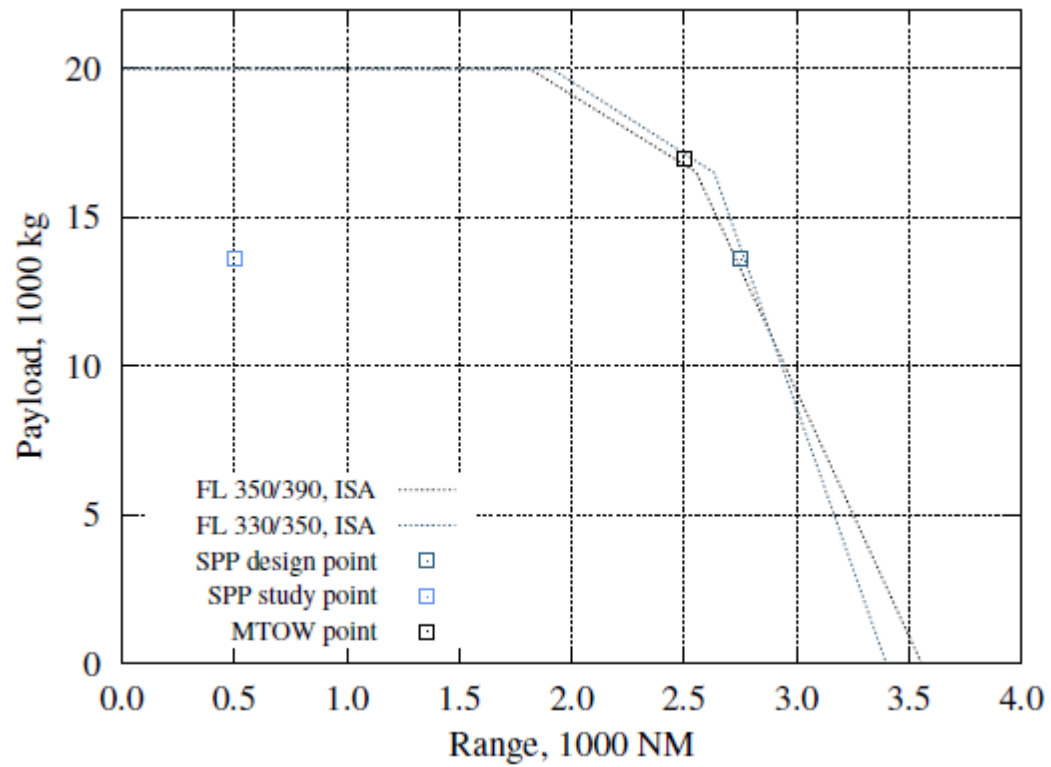
Matching Chart





## Appendix B

### B.1 CeRAS A320 Payload-Range Diagram



## B.2 Airbus A320 Payload-Range Diagram

